

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2015 Assembly Bill 583

Assembly Amendment 1

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2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 583

This bill prohibits a city, village, town, or county from enacting or enforcing an ordinance that prohibits, regulates the duration or frequency of, or unreasonably restricts the rental of a "residential dwelling" for seven consecutive days or longer.

The bill defines "residential dwelling" as all or part of any building or structure that is primarily used and occupied for, or intended to be used for human habitation, and includes any appurtenances belonging to the dwelling or usually enjoyed with it.

The bill specifies that it does not limit the authority of a political subdivision to enact an ordinance regulating or requiring any of the following:

- 1. Inspections of residential dwellings.
- 2. The imposition or payment of inspection fees for residential dwellings.
- 3. Room taxes that may be imposed on residential dwellings.
- 4. Annual license fees or other fees that may be imposed on persons who rent out their residential dwellings.
- 5. Nuisances related to residential dwellings.

The bill also provides that residential dwelling rentals are not subject to certain state health and safety requirements related to lodging establishments.

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Assembly Amendment 1 eliminates the provisions in the bill that would exempt residential dwelling rentals from state health and safety requirements related to lodging establishments.

BILL HISTORY

Assembly Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Allen on January 6, 2016. On January 7, 2016, the Assembly Committee on Housing and Real Estate voted to recommend adoption of the amendment and passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0.

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